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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe that I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which patent is sought on the invention entitled DEFIBRILLATOR WITH A MULTIPLE-MODE INTERFACE, the specification of which was filed on August 31, 2001, as United States Patent Application No. 09/945,333.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

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Assignee has reviewed the assignment document that evidences the placement of title in the Assignee, a copy of which is attached.

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